

HOW A BILL BECOMES A LAW

This is how a bill becomes a law. It is really an idea in someone's mind. Anyone can make up a bill, but most of these people are representatives or senators. (There are three basic types of bills; joint resolutions, concurrent and simple resolutions.) Then a bill is sent to the committee of that category to be spoken about at hearings. Once it is spoken about the committee can make changes to it if they wish.

The House and the Senate must agree on that bill for it to travel the next step, the Conference Committee. Their job is to settle any additional problems between the House and Senate.

This is the popular part, voting. The House and Senate vote on the bill. Those votes go to the president which in this case is George W. Bush. The president can sign or veto that bill. If he likes it and according to majority rule he will sign it and it will become a law. If he vetoes it, it will stay a bill and they can change it. If he vetoes it again they can override him. If $\frac{2}{3}$ of that vote is aye (yes,) the bill must be a law.

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